

# Quaker Family History Society

## Privacy policy

### Introduction

The Quaker Family History Society (QFHS) respects your privacy and is committed to protecting your personal data. This Privacy policy will inform you how we look after your personal data and tell you about your privacy rights and how the law protects you.

### Important information and who we are

#### Purpose of this Privacy policy

This Privacy policy aims to give you information on how QFHS collects and processes your personal data, including any data you may provide through the website, when you join the society, access our services, or access those of the Federation of Family History Societies (FFHS).

Our website is not intended for children and we do not knowingly collect data relating to children.

It is important that you read this Privacy policy together with any other Privacy policy or fair processing notice we may provide on specific occasions when we are collecting or processing personal data about you so that you are fully aware of how and why we are using your data. This Privacy policy supplements the other notices and is not intended to override them.

#### Controller

QFHS is the controller and responsible for your personal data (collectively referred to as "QFHS", "we", "us" or "our" in this Privacy policy).

#### Contact details

Our contact details are:

Society name:

Quaker Family History Society

Postal address:

c/o The Secretary, QFHS  
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Kidderminster, Worcs.  
DY11 6DE

Name or title of data privacy manager: Ben Beck

Email address: [privacy@qfhs.co.uk](mailto:privacy@qfhs.co.uk)

You have the right to make a complaint at any time to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), the UK supervisory authority for data protection issues ([www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)). We would, however, appreciate the chance to deal with your concerns before you approach the ICO so please contact us in the first instance.

### **Changes to the Privacy policy and your duty to inform us of changes**

We may need to update our Privacy policy from time to time. You can check it at any time on our website. Any material changes we may make to this privacy policy in the future will be posted on this page as it appears on our website, in Quaker Connections, or, where appropriate, by your preferred method of contact.

It is important that the personal data we hold about you is accurate and current. Please keep us informed if your personal data changes during your relationship with us.

### **Third-party links**

This website may include links to third-party websites, plug-ins and applications. Clicking on those links or enabling those connections may allow third parties to collect or share data about you. We do not control these third-party websites and are not responsible for their privacy statements. When you leave our website, we encourage you to read the Privacy policy of every website you visit.

### **The data we collect about you**

Personal data, or personal information, means any information about an individual from which that person can be identified. It does not include data where the identity has been removed (anonymous data).

We may collect, use, store and transfer different kinds of personal data about you which we have grouped together as follows:

- **Identity Data** includes first name, last name, membership number, and username or similar identifier
- **Contact Data** includes billing address, delivery address (if different), email address and telephone number(s)
- **Financial Data** includes bank account and payment card details, and any details supplied via PayPal
- **Transaction Data** includes details about payments to and from you and other details of products and services you have purchased or received from us
- **Technical Data** includes internet protocol (IP) address, your login data, browser type and version, time zone setting and location, browser plug-in types and versions, operating system and platform and other technology on the devices you use to access our website; see also under Automated technologies or interactions, below
- **Profile Data** includes your password as a member, required to access the Members Only section on our website
- **Usage Data** includes information about how you use our website, products and services
- **Communications Data** includes your preferences for our communication with you.

We also collect, use and share **Aggregated Data** such as statistical or demographic data for any purpose. Aggregated Data may be derived from your personal data but is not considered personal data in law as this data does not directly or indirectly reveal your identity. For example, we may aggregate your Usage Data to calculate the percentage of users accessing a specific website feature. However, if we combine or connect Aggregated Data with your personal data so that it can directly or indirectly identify you, we treat the combined data as personal data which will be used in accordance with this Privacy policy.

There may be occasions on which we collect **Special Categories of Personal Data** (which in general includes details about race or ethnicity, religious or philosophical beliefs, sex life, sexual orientation, political opinions,

trade union membership, information about your health and genetic and biometric data), but this will be restricted to whether or not you have Quaker forebears, and whether or not you yourself are currently registered by Britain Yearly Meeting as a member or attender, and will only be collected with your consent or from publicly available records (see below).

We do not collect any information about criminal convictions and offences.

### **If you fail to provide personal data**

Where we need to collect personal data by law, or under the terms of a contract we have with you and you fail to provide that data when requested, we may not be able to perform the contract we have or are trying to enter into with you (for example, to provide you with goods or services). In this case, we may have to cancel a product or service you have with us but we will notify you if this is the case at the time.

### **How is your personal data collected?**

We use different methods to collect data from and about you including through:

- **Direct interactions.** You may give us your Identity, Contact and Financial Data by filling in forms or by corresponding with us by post, phone, email or otherwise. This includes personal data you provide when you:
  - apply for our products or services
  - subscribe to our service or publications
  - provide us with historical information or submissions for our records
  - enter a competition, promotion or survey; or
  - give us some feedback.
- **Automated technologies or interactions.** As you interact with our website, technical data about your equipment, browsing actions and patterns may be automatically collected. QFHS itself does not collect this data, and does not collect, store or distribute, either internally or to others, any details of the users of its website. However, technical data is collected by 1&1 Internet Ltd, our web host, by the use of cookies. A cookie is a small text file which is downloaded to your device when you visit a website, which enables the site to recognize you on any future visit, and may provide analytical data to the site controllers, although any such data is anonymised.
- **Third parties or publicly available sources.** We may receive personal data about you from various third parties [and public sources] as set out below
  - Technical Data from search information providers
  - Contact, Financial and Transaction Data from providers of technical, payment and delivery services, such as PayPal
  - Identity and Contact Data from publicly available sources such as Companies House, the Charities Commission, the Electoral Register, the General Registry Office, the Court Service, the Information Commissioner's Office and the National Archives and local Record Offices based inside the EU
  - Identity and Contact Data from the QFHS Rootsweb mailing list QUAKER-BRITISH-ISLES (Q-B-I)., and from the QFHS-linked page on the Rootschat website.

### **How we use your personal data**

We will only use your personal data when the law allows us to. Most commonly, we will use your personal data in the following circumstances:

- Where we need to perform the contract we are about to enter into or have entered into with you.
- Where it is necessary for our legitimate interests in conducting and managing our business (or those of a third party). Legitimate Interest means the interest of our society in conducting and managing our business to enable us to give you the best service. We balance this with any potential impact on you (both positive and negative) and your rights before we process your personal data for our legitimate interests. and your interests and fundamental rights do not override those interests.
- Where we need to comply with a legal or regulatory obligation.

Generally we do not rely on consent as a legal basis for processing your personal data.

### Purposes for which we will use your personal data

We have set out below, in table format, a description of all the ways we plan to use your personal data, and which of the legal bases we rely on to do so. We have also identified what our legitimate interests are where appropriate.

Note that we may process your personal data for more than one lawful ground depending on the specific purpose for which we are using your data. Please contact us if you need details about the specific legal ground we are relying on to process your personal data where more than one ground has been set out in the table below.

<b>Purpose/Activity</b>	<b>Type of data</b>	<b>Lawful basis for processing including basis of legitimate interest</b>
To register you as a new member	(a) Identity (b) Contact	Performance of a contract with you
To process and deliver your orders or requests including: (a) Manage payments, fees and charges (b) Collect and recover money owed to us (c) Manage information requests	(a) Identity (b) Contact (c) Financial (d) Transaction (e) Communications	(a) Performance of a contract with you (b) Necessary for our legitimate interests (to recover debts due to us)
To manage our relationship with you which will include: (a) Notifying you about changes to our terms or privacy policy (b) Asking you to leave a review or take a survey	(a) Identity (b) Contact (c) Profile (d) Communications	(a) Performance of a contract with you (b) Necessary to comply with a legal obligation (c) Necessary for our legitimate interests (to keep our records updated and to study how customers use our products/services)
To enable you to complete a survey	(a) Identity (b) Contact (c) Profile (d) Usage (e) Marketing and Communications	(a) Performance of a contract with you (b) Necessary for our legitimate interests (to study how customers use our products/services, to develop them and sustain and grow our membership)

To administer and protect our business and this website (including troubleshooting, data analysis, testing, system maintenance, support, reporting and hosting of data)	(a) Identity (b) Contact (c) Technical	(a) Necessary for our legitimate interests (for running our business, provision of administration and IT services, network security, to prevent fraud and in the context of a reorganisation restructuring exercise)  (b) Necessary to comply with a legal obligation
To deliver relevant website content to you and measure	(a) Identity (b) Contact (c) Profile (d) Usage (e) Marketing and Communications (f) Technical	Necessary for our legitimate interests (to study how customers use our products/services, to develop them and sustain and grow our membership)
To provide historical information of interest to our members and to measure the effectiveness of that information	(a) Identity (c) Profile (d) Usage (e) Communications	Necessary for our legitimate interests (to define types of customers for our products and services, and to keep our website updated and relevant)
To make suggestions and recommendations to you about goods, services or information that may be of interest to you	(a) Identity (b) Contact (c) Technical (d) Usage (e) Profile	Necessary for our legitimate interests (to develop our products/services and sustain and grow our membership)

### Third-party marketing

We will not share your personal data with any company for marketing purposes.

### Change of purpose

We will only use your personal data for the purposes for which we collected it, unless we reasonably consider that we need to use it for another reason and that reason is compatible with the original purpose. If you wish to get an explanation as to how the processing for the new purpose is compatible with the original purpose, please [contact us](#).

If we need to use your personal data for an unrelated purpose, we will notify you and we will explain the legal basis which allows us to do so.

Please note that we may process your personal data without your knowledge or consent, in compliance with the above rules, where this is required or permitted by law.

### Disclosures of your personal data

In order to carry out the purposes set out in the table above, we may have to share your personal data with the following parties:

- Service providers acting as processors based in the UK who provide administration services.
- Service providers acting as processors based outside the EEA who provide analytical services.
- Professional advisers acting as processors including lawyers, bankers, accountants, auditors and insurers based in the UK who provide consultancy, banking, legal, insurance and accounting services.
- HM Revenue & Customs, regulators and other authorities acting as processors or joint controllers based in the United Kingdom who require reporting of processing activities in certain circumstances.
- Third parties to whom we may choose to sell, transfer, or merge parts of our society's undertaking or our assets. Alternatively, we may seek to acquire other societies or organisations or merge with them. If a change happens to our society then the new owners may use your personal data in the same way as set out in this Privacy policy.

We require all third parties to respect the security of your personal data and to treat it in accordance with the law. We do not allow our third-party service providers to use your personal data for their own purposes and only permit them to process your personal data for specified purposes and in accordance with our instructions.

### International transfers

Some of our external third parties are based outside the European Economic Area (EEA) so their processing of your personal data will involve a transfer of data outside the EEA.

Whenever we transfer your personal data out of the EEA, we ensure a similar degree of protection is afforded to it by ensuring at least one of the following safeguards is implemented:

- We will only transfer your personal data to countries that have been deemed to provide an adequate level of protection for personal data by the European Commission. For further details, see European Commission: Adequacy of the protection of personal data in non-EU countries.
- Where we use certain service providers, we may use specific contracts approved by the European Commission which give personal data the same protection it has in Europe. For further details, see European Commission: Model contracts for the transfer of personal data to third countries.
- Where we use providers based in the US, we may transfer data to them if they are part of the Privacy Shield which requires them to provide similar protection to personal data shared between the Europe and the US. For further details, see European Commission: EU-US Privacy Shield.

Please contact us if you want further information on the specific mechanism used by us when transferring your personal data out of the EEA.

### Data security

We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent your personal data from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed. In addition, we limit access to your personal data to those officers, society trustees, employees, agents, contractors and other third parties who have a need to know. They will only process your personal data on our instructions and they are subject to a duty of confidentiality.

We have put in place procedures to deal with any suspected personal data breach and will notify you and any applicable regulator of a breach where we are legally required to do so.

## Data retention

### How long will you use my personal data for?

We will only retain your personal data for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes we collected it for, including for the purposes of satisfying any legal, accounting, or reporting requirements.

To determine the appropriate retention period for personal data, we consider the amount, nature, and sensitivity of the personal data, the potential risk of harm from unauthorised use or disclosure of your personal data, the purposes for which we process your personal data and whether we can achieve those purposes through other means, and the applicable legal requirements.

By law we have to keep basic information about our members and customers (including Contact, Identity, Financial and Transaction Data) for six years after they cease being customers for tax purposes.

## Your legal rights

Under certain circumstances, you have rights under data protection laws in relation to your personal data. These are the right to:

- **Request access to your personal data.** This enables you to receive a copy of the personal data we hold about you and to check that we are lawfully processing it.
- **Request correction of your personal data.** This enables you to have any incomplete or inaccurate data we hold about you corrected.
- **Request erasure of your personal data.** This enables you to ask us to delete or remove personal data where there is no good reason for us continuing to process it. You also have the right to ask us to delete or remove your personal data where you have successfully exercised your right to object to processing (see below), where we may have processed your information unlawfully or where we are required to erase your personal data to comply with local law. Note, however, that we may not always have to comply with your request for erasure for specific legal reasons which will be notified to you, if applicable, at the time of your request.
- **Object to processing of your personal data** where we are relying on a legitimate interest (or those of a third party) and there is something about your particular situation which makes you want to object to processing on this ground as you feel it impacts on your fundamental rights and freedoms. You also have the right to object where we are processing your personal data for direct marketing purposes. In some cases, we may demonstrate that we have compelling legitimate grounds to process your information which override your rights and freedoms.
- **Request restriction of processing your personal data.** This enables you to ask us to suspend the processing of your personal data in the following scenarios: (a) if you want us to establish the data's accuracy; (b) where our use of the data is unlawful but you do not want us to erase it; (c) where you need us to hold the data even if we no longer require it as you need it to establish, exercise or defend legal claims; or (d) you have objected to our use of your data but we need to verify whether we have overriding legitimate grounds to use it.
- **Request transfer of your personal data** to you or to a third party. We will provide to you, or a third party you have chosen, your personal data in a structured, commonly used, machine-readable format. Note that this right only applies to automated information which you initially provided consent for us to use or where we used the information to perform a contract with you.
- **Right to withdraw consent** where we are relying on consent to process your personal data. However, this will not affect the lawfulness of any processing carried out before you withdraw your consent. If you

withdraw your consent, we may not be able to provide certain products or services to you. We will advise you if this is the case at the time you withdraw your consent.

If you wish to exercise any of the rights set out above, please [contact](#) our data privacy manager.

**No fee usually required**

You will not have to pay a fee to access your personal data (or to exercise any of the other rights). However, we may charge a reasonable fee if your request is clearly unfounded, repetitive or excessive. Alternatively, we may refuse to comply with your request in these circumstances.

**What we may need from you**

We may need to request specific information from you to help us confirm your identity and ensure your right to access your personal data (or to exercise any of your other rights). This is a security measure to ensure that personal data is not disclosed to any person who has no right to receive it. We may also contact you to ask you for further information in relation to your request to speed up our response.

**Time limit to respond**

We try to respond to all legitimate requests within one month. Occasionally it may take us longer than a month if your request is particularly complex or you have made a number of requests. In this case, we will notify you and keep you updated.